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TO:

Each Supervisor

FROM:

Cynthia A. Marding, M.P.H.

Interim Director

SUBJECT:

NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO

ACCEPT AN AMENDMENT TO SUBAWARD NUMBER 1920 G RA205 FROM THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA FOR

CHILDHOOD OBESITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on July 28, 2015, to accept and execute grants and awards from federal, State, and other public and private agencies in amounts not to exceed \$500,000 per grant award per budget period or annual term, that are in furtherance of the Department of Public Health's (DPH) mission, subject to: review and approval as to form by County Counsel; review by the Chief Executive Office (CEO) Risk Management as needed; and two weeks advance written notification to your Board and the CEO in those instances where an Anticipated Grant Award memo is not feasible or the grants and awards require matching County funds.

On March 6, 2014, I notified your Board that I was accepting Subaward Number 1920 G RA205 from The Regents of the University of California (UCLA), for the term September 16, 2013 through June 30, 2014 (Year 1) in an amount not to exceed \$54,879, renewable on a year-to-year basis, up to 5 total years, contingent on available funding from the National Institutes of Health.

On October 10, 2014, I notified your Board that I was accepting Amendment Number 1 to Subaward Number 1920 G RA205, issued on August 29, 2014, for the budget period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 (Year 2) in the total amount of \$56,026, comprised of \$15,000 in new dollars and \$41,026 in automatic carry over funds from Year 1.



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Under the delegated authority referenced above, on October 27, 2015, I will move forward with accepting Amendment Number 2 to Subaward Number 1920 G RA205, issued by UCLA on August 27, 2015, in the amount of \$52,481, for the budget period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 (Year 3).

These funds will allow DPH to continue to support a multi-partnership effort to address and study childhood obesity in Los Angeles County. The project evaluates the impact of obesity-related public policies and community interventions on obesity in preschool-aged children ages 0-5 and their families in the region. An important goal of the project is to establish partnerships in different disciplines including health services, social services, and academic institutions to examine the effectiveness of present community-level obesity prevention programs. The project utilizes new methodology for quantifying the collective impacts of these community efforts. Results will provide needed evidence to help DPH better design and plan community-level obesity prevention interventions in the future.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved Amendment Number 2 to Subaward Number 1920 G RA205 as to use and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Interim Chief Executive Officer Interim County Counsel Acting Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors